

COURTS-MARTIAL FACE BAR PROBE

Baker Directs Lawyers Committee to Inquire Into Military Law

TO CORRECT INJUSTICE

Best Record for Demobilization of Returned Soldiers Is Forty-eight Hours

Washington, March 27.—Following his return to Washington yesterday, after a seven-day inspection tour which took him and General Peyton C. March, chief of staff, to the Pacific coast, Secretary of War Baker has announced that he has asked President Page, of the American Bar Association, to appoint a committee of lawyers to investigate the whole question of military law.

Secretary Baker announced that Mr. Page had appointed as members of this committee S. Gregory, of Chicago; Judge W. P. Byrum, of Greenboro, N. C.; Martin Conboy, of New York city; Judge Andrew Jackson Bruce, of Birmingham; N. D., and Colonel John Hinkley, of Baltimore.

One of the first things Mr. Baker did after returning to his office in the War Department this afternoon was to confer with Chairman Gregory and Judge Bruce of this committee.

"They came in to see me," said Secretary Baker, "to say that they wanted to go forward with their inquiry. I placed General Kreger in immediate communication with them, and told him to produce all records for their inspection. I told them that I would send any one connected with the War Department, civilian or military, to talk with them at any time.

"As I understand their function," continued Mr. Baker, "I do not want to limit it by any description, what they are asked to do by the Bar Association, which acted at my request, is to examine the whole question of substantive and procedural military law, with a view to making recommendations for improvements in either the substantive law or the method of procedure. I told General Kreger to place every record of court-martial trials at their disposal, and asked them to bring to my attention the whole question of connection with these trials which they believe to be in error."

Secretary Baker said he had found the best record generally of discharge for men from overseas after their arrival in camps in the United States was forty-eight hours. The Secretary told of one small camp where the men were released on the same day of arrival, and said that in none of the camps visited did the period exceed six days.

COVENANT MAY PASS SENATE, EDGE THINKS

Revisions Likely to Make It Acceptable, Member-Elect Asserts

Special Dispatch to Evening Public Ledger. Trenton, N. J., March 27.—Governor Edge, of New Jersey, who will be a member of the new United States Senate, said today he was gratified by assurance from abroad that the league of nations covenant would be so revised and safeguarded before leaving the hands of the Peace Conference in Paris that perhaps it would not be difficult to secure favorable action when it reaches the Senate for ratification. He added: "The nation is beginning to realize that the signers of the round robin in the Senate were not opposed to the principle of a society of nations, but mainly to the confusing form of the covenant and its various interpretations and the precedence it was taking over an agreement on actual peace terms, so universally desired."

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KAISER, SCARED, TURNS TO SWISS

Threatened in Letters, May Seek Refuge in Mountain Republic

FEARED OWN SOLDIERS

Told Crown Prince "to Stick," but Berlin Wouldn't Let Him

By the Associated Press. Geneva, March 26. (Reuter).—Ex-Kaiser Wilhelm of Germany, alarmed by the receipt of threatening letters, intends to leave Holland and seek refuge in Switzerland, according to the newspaper La Suisse.

HINES EXPLAINS RAILROADS' NEEDS

Says \$750,000,000 Loan Is Required to Carry U. S. Outlay

1918 LOSSES \$200,000,000

Pittsburgh, March 27.—Financial difficulties faced by the railroads and the railroad administration were explained today by Walker D. Hines, director general of railroads, in an address at the Pittsburgh Chamber of Commerce luncheon.

"I take this opportunity," said Mr. Hines, "to try to remove the impression that the \$750,000,000 appropriation which was asked of Congress was needed to make up for losses sustained by the railroad administration. This was not the case. The appropriation was needed and still is needed to enable the government temporarily to carry expenditures made on behalf of the railroad companies, which will be gradually refunded by the railroad companies as they are able to finance their requirements otherwise."

When the appropriation of \$750,000,000 shall be made, there will have been appropriated for the railroad administration a total of \$200,000,000. This amount \$200,000,000 represented the loss incurred in the calendar year 1918 due to the abnormal winter and to the fact that the railroad administration had only six months of increased rates to meet twelve months of increased wages. The \$1,050,000,000 balance, Mr. Hines said, represents funds temporarily tied up by the government in railroad operation, distributed roughly as follows: Working capital, \$340,000,000; loans to be repaid by railroads, \$310,000,000; estimated loans to be made this year and later period, \$270,000,000.

AMERICAN ZONE STRIKE OFF

General Walkout in Occupied Area Fails to Materialize

Cologne, March 27.—(By A. P.)—The general strike that had been set for Wednesday in the American zone in various trades in the American area of occupation failed to materialize, and up to a late hour last night no trouble had been reported from any place in the zone. In Cologne, where they asked for more pay several days ago, the workmen returned to work yesterday morning.

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MARINES ADD TO CASUALTY LIST

Twenty-one Names, Including 15 on Roll of Dead, Swell Total

ARMY LOSSES ARE 241

Wounded Comprise More Than Half Total for the Day

Washington, March 27.—Another marine corps list, containing twenty-one names, was released today, with four army casualty rolls, carrying 241 names, ninety of whom were reported dead.

Of the total army casualties 197 were in the morning report and 124 are in the afternoon report, as follows: Killed from wounds, 12; died of disease, 42; died from accident and other causes, 33; missing, 20; wounded, 107.

A summary of the total army casualties to date, a complete list of officers and the enlisted personnel of Pennsylvania and New Jersey, for today, are given below:

Table with columns: Reported, Killed in action, Died from wounds, Died of disease, Died from accident and other causes, Missing, Wounded, Grand total.

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WAR ON ITALY BY JUGO-SLAVS, FEAR IN PARIS

Ban on Commerce by Belgrade Causes Rome Delegate Alarm

Paris, March 27.—(By A. P.)—"Has Jugo-Slavia declared war on Italy?" was a question asked by a member of the Italian delegation to the Peace Conference on learning last night that the council of ministers at Belgrade had prohibited any commerce with enemy countries, any importations from Italy into Jugo-Slavia and the transportation of Italian goods to any country across Jugo-Slavy territory.

O'LEARY LIBERATED ON BAIL OF \$10,000

Government Not Decided Yet Whether to Ask Trial on Other Indictments

New York, March 27.—Jeremiah A. O'Leary, the Irish agitator, who was sent nine months in the Tombs prison, left the United States District Court today under bail of \$10,000, pending action on indictments charging conspiracy for treason and sedition.

The release was directed by Judge John C. Knox on an application by the defendant, with the consent of Don A. Matthews and James W. Osborne, 2d, government prosecutors.

The formal papers naming the bondsmen had not been signed when he was released, but it was said several of his friends have volunteered to guarantee the amount and that their offer would be accepted.

O'Leary looked very somber and accepted felicitations with little display of jubilation. His wife was among the first to greet him after Judge Knox had consented to his release.

"Are you going to continue your fight for Irish freedom?" O'Leary was asked. "No, I am not," he replied. "There is no money in Irish propaganda, and it is necessary for me to earn money for my support. After I have taken a rest I shall devote my energies to the practice of law."

Mr. Matthews stated that the government had consented to waive objections to O'Leary's release on bail in view of the disagreement of the jury on one of the five counts in his trial for alleged violation of the espionage law. In that trial, which was concluded last Sunday, O'Leary was acquitted on four counts.

When asked if the government intended to proceed to trial with the other two indictments against O'Leary, Mr. Matthews replied that on that point nothing had yet been decided.

WOODBURY HERO BACK

Coporal Fulton's Bravery Won U. S. and French Crosses

New York, March 27.—Coporal Wayne Fulton, of Woodbury, N. J., was among the soldiers who arrived from France today on the Pueblo.

He was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross and the Croix de Guerre for bringing in wounded and taking the place of a stretcher bearer killed in action.

MARINE CORPS CASUALTY LIST

Reported Killed in action, 6; Died from wounds received in action, 3; Died of disease, 1; Died from accident and other causes, 1; Missing, 1; Wounded, 1; Grand total, 13.

FOREST FIRES CHECKED

Heavy Rains Aid State Forces in South Mountain Region

Harrisburg, Pa., March 27.—After three days of hard fighting, in which the state forestry forces were aided by heavy rains last night, the big forest fires in the vicinity of Mt. Holly, in the South Mountain region, are reported to be under control today and rapidly nearing extinction.

WILSON GREET'S SUFFRAGE PARTY

Sends Best Wishes—Hopes Amendment Will Soon Be Adopted

NEW BODY AT WORK

Selection of Candidates for Executive Board Begun in Convention

St. Louis, March 27.—The following message from President Wilson at Paris was read at the session of the National American Woman Suffrage Association convention here today:

"Best wishes for convention. I earnestly hope suffrage amendment will soon be adopted."

WOODROW WILSON. Primaries for the selection of candidates to serve on the national executive board of the non-partisan, non-sectarian, non-militant women voters league, formed at yesterday's session of the National American Woman Suffrage Association, consumed the greater part of today's forenoon session of the convention.

How laws defining the legal status of women can be unified and improved, and how women can assist the movement toward social morality and hygiene, were to be discussed by delegates at the afternoon session.

It was agreed in the discussion that attended organization of the league, that a name for the body should not be applied until after the convention in February, 1920, which is to be a centennial celebration of Susan B. Anthony's birthday. Arguments also were advanced for bringing troops home has been pending, but not changed while there is still a fight for suffrage in many states and the federal amendment unratified.

The object of the new organization, which is in the form of two houses, one composed of delegates from voting states and the other from nonvoting states, is to secure protection in their right to vote to the women citizens of the United States by appropriate national and state legislation and to increase the effectiveness of women's votes in effecting better government.

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CUMMINS ON R. R. PROBLEM

Favors Return to Private Ownership "Under Strict U. S. Control"

Des Moines, Ia., March 27.—(By A. P.)—In an address before a joint session of the Iowa Legislature today Senator Albert B. Cummins gave a detailed explanation of his opinion that the railroads of the nation should be returned to private ownership but held under strictest government control.

U. S. GETS FIRST OF FOE SHIPS

Cleveland Turned Over for Troop Use—11 Others Making Ready

Washington, March 27.—(By A. P.)—The first one of the twelve German ships allotted to the United States for bringing troops home has been placed in commission, the Navy department advised today. It is the steamship "Cleveland."

Two others, the Patricia and the Kaiserin Augusta Victoria, will be put in commission Saturday. The Cap Finlay has arrived at Spithead, and four other ships, the Zeppelin, Pretoria, Graf Waldersee and Prinz Frederik Wilhelm, have left Hamburg for Spithead. The ships will take on board as many troops as they can accommodate, but fitting as transports will be postponed until their arrival at American ports.

Fire Destroys Coal Yard. Norristown, Pa., March 27.—Fire destroyed the coal yard of T. V. McAvoy, West Conshohocken, last night, causing \$10,000 damages. A truck was included in the destruction. People living in nearby houses were prepared to move, but firemen from West Conshohocken, Conshohocken and Plymouth saved their homes. It is believed a locomotive spark caused the fire.

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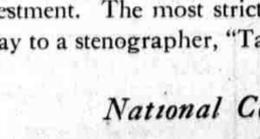
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